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Date: February 1, 2001  
 Docket No.: YOR919970410US2  
 Prior Art Unit: 2622  
 Prior Examiner: M. Nguyen

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/052,563 filed on March 31, 1998 of Ravishankar Rao and Frederick Cole Mintzer for SMOOTHING CALIBRATION FILES TO IMPROVE REPRODUCTION OF DIGITIZED IMAGES.

1. ☐ As last amended, the title has been changed to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. ☐ As last amended, the name of applicant has been changed to \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☒ Enclosed is ☒ a copy of the oath or declaration as filed in the prior application or ☐ a new oath or declaration.
4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

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| TOTAL CLAIMS                        | 19           | - | 20           | = | 0    | X \$18.00 | =          |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS                  | 3            | - | 3            | = | 0    | X \$80.00 | =          |
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5. ☒ Charge any fees which may be required, except for the Issue Fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0468.
6. ☒ Cancel in this application original Claims 1-8, 13-31, and 41 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
7. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a  
☐ continuation ☒ division ☐ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/052,563 filed on March 31, 1998.
8. ☐ Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
9. ☐ The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.
10. ☐ An appointment of associates is enclosed.
11. ☒ Address all future communications to Louis P. Herzberg, IBM Corporation, Intellectual Property Law Dept., P.O. Box 218, Yorktown Heights, NY 10598.
12. ☐ A preliminary amendment to this application is enclosed.
13. ☐ Enter in this application the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 which was unentered in the prior application.

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